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BOROUGH OF BEAUMARIS

ANNUAL REPORT

for the year

1960



of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

Incorporating the Annual Report of the

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

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BEAUMARIS BOROUGH COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE YEAR 1960

To the Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my annual report for the year 1960.

The population within the Borough has decreased by 10 while during the last three years it has remained stationary. There is an increase of 8 in the number of inhabited houses and in Council Houses. The Rateable Value has increased by £458 and the Penny Rate by £4.

The Birth Rate during 1960 increased by 7, the first upward trend since 1956. Three illegitimate births were registered but no Maternal deaths nor a loss of infants under one year within the Borough.

Again in 1960 more males among the population died, and the main causes were Heart diseases, followed by strokes while deaths caused by cancer showed a marked decrease. There was no death due to tuberculosis, nor any notification, (the last death due to this disease was in 1956). Such common illnesses as poliomyelitis, measles and food poisoning were noticeably absent within the community.

The number of infants immunised against diphtheria and whooping cough in the Clinics shows a steady increase.

The standard of general health in the Borough is very satisfactory indeed and appreciation is again felt for the excellent work and co-operation of the General Practitioners.

The Sanitary situation of the Borough for 1960 is reported upon by the Public Health Inspector. A particular note should be made on observations regarding Rodent Control, Sewage and Refuse Disposal and the Swimming Pool. The Public Health Inspector's industrious foresight, regular and frequent inspections are highly appreciated, while the pleasing circumstances of the good health in the Borough is a contribution of his excellent work.

In conclusion, I would like to thank you Mr. Mayor, and Members of the Council for your interest, and the Town Clerk, Public Health Inspector and Officers of the Council for their co-operation and help.

I remain,

Your obedient servant.

ARTHUR JONES.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

Area in acres	3,135
Population (Registrar General's mid 1960 estimates)	2,210
Number of inhabited houses	685
Number of Council Houses	171
Rateable Value	£27,798
Sum produced by a penny rate	£107

VITAL STATISTICS

Live Births

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	<u>15</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>28</u>
Illegitimate	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>
	<u>17</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>31</u>

The Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated population was 14.0. Rates for the previous years were . 1956, 15.1; 1957, 14.4; 1958, 13.1; 1959, 10.8; The Birth Rate for Anglesey in 1960 was 17.0; England and Wales, 17.1.

The Adjusted Birth Rate for Beaumaris for 1960 was 14.28

Stillbirths

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
Illegitimate	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>

<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>11</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>27</u>

The Death Rate per 1,000 population was 12.2. Rates for previous years were . 1956, 12.4; 1957, 12.6; 1958, 11.7; 1959, 10.36. The Rate for Anglesey for 1960 was 13.8; England and Wales 11.5.

The Adjusted Death Rate for Beaumaris was 12.2, The Adjusted Death Rate for Anglesey was 12.4.

Maternal Deaths

Nil.

Deaths of Infants under one year of age.

Nil.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR FOR THE YEAR 1960.

Summary of visits and work carried out during the year

Dwelling houses inspected for nuisances,

a)	Number of houses visited	124
b)	Number of inspections	183

Number of drains tested with colour, water or smoke	6
Visits to work in progress	297
Interviews with owners or representatives	149
Dwelling houses where nuisances abated	6
Visits in connection with overcrowding	2
Visits in connection with infectious diseases	3
Visits for disinfection of premises	1
Visits to premises re. vermin	1
Visits to bakehouses, restaurants, cafes, canteens ..	
and hotel kitchens	46
Visits to ice-cream premises	21
Visits to fish-friers premises	4
Visits to other food-preparing premises	2
Visits re Shop Acts	3
Visits to workplaces	4
Visits re rats, mice and other infestation	32
Notices served	

a) Informal	7
b) Statutory	7

Number of cases in which legal proceedings taken	..	7
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Infectious Diseases

Number of visits.. .. .	3
Number of cases in which disinfection was carried out ..	1

FOOD HYGIENE

Number of food premises by type of business (excluding registered premises)

Butchers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Grocers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
Confectioners	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Bakeries	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Catering establishments, (including cafes, restaurants, hotels)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11

Number of visits to food premises	32
Number of food premises unsatisfactory from point of view of hygiene	2

Preserved Food - Manufacture and Preparation

Number of premises registered under Section 16 of the	
Food and Drugs Act, 1955	4
Number of new applications.. .. .	-
Number of visits	7

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (ALL AGES)

Cause of death	M.	F.
1. Malignant Neoplasm, breast	-	2
2. Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	2	1
3. Vascular lesions of the nervous system	1	1
4. Coronary disease, angina	1	3
5. Other heart disease	3	3
6. Other circulatory disease	-	1
7. Pneumonia	1	-
8. Other defined and illdefined diseases	-	6
9. All other accidents	1	-
10. Suicide	-	1
Total	9	18

PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Notifiable Diseases (excluding tuberculosis)

Table showing cases notified during the year, classified in age groups.

Disease	Under 1	1 yr.	2.	3.	4.	5-9	10-14	15+	age unkown
Puerperial Pyrexia	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Tuberculosis

No cases of tuberculosis were notified during the year.

VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION

These services are provided by the County Council and by General Practitioners in the Borough. The following figures are quoted by courtesy of the County Medical Officer.

Vaccination against Smallpox

A total of 6 children were vaccinated for the first time during the year, and 5 others were re-vaccinated.

Vaccination against Tuberculosis

B.C.G. vaccination is carried out by the Chest Physician in collaboration with the County Medical Officer and his staff. The scheme provides for the vaccination of new-born infants born into tuberculous households and of tuberculin negative contacts of known cases. During 1960, three such vaccinations were carried out in the Borough.

Diphtheria and Whooping Cough Immunisation

A total number of 34 children were immunised for the first time against Diphtheria during the year, and 27 were immunised against Whooping Cough.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948

No action was taken in respect of any individual under section 47 of this act.

Ice-Cream

Number of registered premises	.. .. .	7
Number of new applications	.. .. .	7
Number of inspections	.. .. .	15
Number of contraventions (if any) of the Heat treatment regulations 1947 to 1952		-

Fish-Friers Premises

Number of premises registered	.. .. .	2
Number of new applications	.. .. .	7
Number of visitations	.. .. .	5

Milk

Number of Dairies and Distributors registered under Part III of the Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949 4

Number of new applications	.. .. .	7
Number of visits to registered premises	6

Slaughterhouses

Number in Borough	-
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UN SOUND FOOD

Food condemned during the year as unfit for human consumption (outside slaughterhouses)

	<u>Quantity tons cwt. Qrs. lbs.</u>			
Butchers meat (including offal)	-	-	3	21
Other food (including tinned food)	-	1	3	20

RODENT CONTROL

There has been no major infestation and routine treatment principally by the use of Warfarin Ready Mixed Bait trays is carried out. Infestation of the refuse tip continues minimal and periodic treatment is carried out.

WATER SUPPLY

Number of dwelling houses supplied by public water mains:-	
a) Direct to houses	609
b) By means of standpipes	27
Number of dwelling houses dependent on wells for their water	10
Number of wells found to be contaminated by faecal matter	1

DRAINAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL

During the year a Local Enquiry was held into the proposed scheme of Improvement of the Council's existing sewerage system the condition of which continues to give grave cause for concern. Further consideration by the Welsh Office, Ministry of Housing and Local Government was deferred pending a second enquiry arising from the application of the Clean Rivers (Estuaries and Tidal Waters) Act 1961, by the Rivers (Prevention of pollution) Act, 1951, to the Menai Straits.

REFUSE DISPOSAL.

Mostly collection of Refuse from the built up area continues supplemented by a second collection from the Catering Establishments during the summer months. Disposal is by controlled tipping at the Council's Refuse Tip at Llangoed. There is an occasional temporary shortage of covering materials and mechanical plant is then hired to ensure adequate coverage.

OFFENSIVE TRADES.

Number registered Nil.

HOUSING

1. Inspection of Dwellinghouses during the Year.
 - (1) a. Total number of houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health and Housing Acts) 124
 - b. Number of inspections made for the purpose 185
 - (2) a. Number of dwellinghouses included under sub-head (1) above which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925. Nil.
 - b. Number of inspections made for the purpose Nil.
 - (3) Number of dwellinghouses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation 10
 - (4) Number of dwellinghouses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation 6
2. Remedy of Defects during the year without service of Formal Notices. Nil.

Number of defective dwellinghouses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers 7
3. Action under Statutory Powers during the year
 - a. Proceedings under Section 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936 Nil.
 - (1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs Nil.
 - (2) Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices . Nil.
 - a. By owners Nil.
 - b. By Local Authority in default of owners Nil.
 - b. Proceedings under the Public Health Acts
 - (1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied 5
 - (2) Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices,
 - (a) By owners Nil
 - (b) By Local Authority in default of owners Nil
 - c. Proceedings under Section 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936
 - (1) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made Nil
 - (2) Number of dwelling houses demolished Nil
 - (3) Number of houses awaiting demolition Nil
 - (4) Number of houses in which undertakings accepted for use other than for human habitation Nil

d. Proceedings under Section 17 of the Housing Act, 1957

- (1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which undertakings not to relet were accepted 3
- (2) Number of separate tenements of underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined the tenement or room having been rendered fit Nil

4. Housing Act, 1957, Part III, Section 44

Number of houses in respect of which Clearance Orders were made Nil

Housing Act, 1957, Part IV - Sections 76-90- Overcrowding

- (a) (i) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year Nil
- (ii) Number of families dwelling therein Nil
- (iii) Number of persons dwelling therein Nil
- (b) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year Nil.
- (c) (i) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year Nil
- (ii) Number of persons concerned in such cases Nil
- (d) Particulars of any cases in which dwelling-houses have again become overcrowded after the local authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding Nil.

Summary of Housing Defects and Nuisances Remedied during the year

Keeping of animals	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil
Offensive accumulations	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Sanitary accommodation	Insufficient	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil
	defective	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
	reconstruction	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Drainage	repaired	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
	cleansed	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
Cesspools and septic tanks	- abolished	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil
	repaired	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Conversions to w.c.'s	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil
Refuse receptacles	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	25
Food stores	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil
Water supplies	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Walls and ceilings	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Floors	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Windows and ventilation	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Baths, lavatory basins and sinks	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
Staircases	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Coppers (defective)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil
Dampness	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5

Summary of Housing Defects and Nuisances Remedied during the year

Roofs and rainwater pipes	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Yard paving	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Chimneys and fireplaces	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Miscellaneous	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1

Swimming Pool

The Council's Swimming Pool continues in use for the Summer season and no difficulty has arisen in connection with it. Bacteriological examination indicates that this water is satisfactory.

Inspections under the Factories Act, 1937

1. Inspection for purposes of provisions as to health

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspection	Written notices	Occupiers Prosecuted.
1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
(i) Factories WITHOUT MECHANICAL POWER in which Sections 1,2,3,4, and 6 are to be enforced	2	1	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) to which Section 19 7 applies, :-	19	9		
(a) WITHOUT MECHANICAL POWER, but enforcement of Sections 1,2,3,4, and 6 by Local Authorities revoked by the Local Authorities (Transfer of Enforcement) Order, 1938	-	-	-	-
(b) Others, i.e. Factories WITH MECHANICAL POWER.	-	-	-	-
(iii) Other premises under the Act, (excluding out-workers' premises)	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	21	10.	-	-

INSPECTIONS under the Factories Act, 1937

2. Cases in which defects were found.

Particulars	cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted.
	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Want of cleanliness (S.1.)	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2.)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3.)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4.)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6.)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7.)	-	-	-	-	-
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	-	-	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences (not including offences relating to Homework).					
TOTAL	-	-	-	-	-

